

Rain tonight and Tuesday.
Warmer tonight.

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Mrs. Taft in Accident Going to Her Steamer; Her Life in Danger

Wives of War Secretary and Member of American
Legation Tossed About in Small Boat
in Boulogne Harbor.

BOULOGNE, France, Dec. 9.—Mrs. William H. Taft, Mrs. George Post Wheeler, wife of the second secretary of the American embassy at Tokyo, and other passengers for the President Grant, narrowly escaped death in going aboard the liner in the harbor tender Holland.

The tender started to reach the Grant at 1:30 a. m., under the impression that the liner was then inside the Boulogne breakwater. It was discovered that the bigger vessel had not come inside when it was too late to prevent running the Holland into the heavy seas, and in the giant waves the little craft's rudder was broken.

Passengers Hurled About.
The tender was repeatedly thrown on her beam ends, the passengers were

hurled about in every direction, and Mrs. Taft narrowly missed injury under some fixtures which broke loose and crashed past her as she crouched in the cabin.

The boat finally got a grip with an anchor near the lighthouse, and at 3 a. m. the Grant arrived and took the passengers aboard. The Grant sailed from here for Plymouth eight hours late on account of the storm.

France Pays Respect.

When the President Grant, with Secretary Taft on board entered port, the sub-prefect immediately went aboard and presented the French government's respects. Secretary Taft responded in a graceful speech. He has been notified of his mother's death and showed plainly the weight of grief.

TILLMAN SCORES FINANCIAL POLICY

South Carolinian Would
Know if Relief of Money
Crisis Was Legal.

Senator Tillman of South Carolina jumped into the ring in the Senate today. He began to score up the financial policy of the Administration, and showed all of his old-time disposition to make trouble for the President and the Secretary of the Treasury.

Mr. Tillman introduced two sets of resolutions instructing the Finance Committee to investigate the course of the Treasury in various recent affairs. He will speak on these probably tomorrow.

The first resolution called for a report on whether the issuing of clearing house certificates was under authority of law, whether the certificates are subject to tax, and if certificates issued on cotton, wheat and tobacco could be used as money.

The second wanted to know whether the issue of Federal certificates of indebtedness was for the purpose of borrowing money to "meet public expenditures," and if not, whether there is any warrant of law for the issue; whether the issue of fifty million of bonds of the Panama canal loan was required to "defray the expenditures" on the canal, and "whether there is any legislation necessary to protect the people and business interests of the country from the issue of unlawful money, if clearing-house certificates are such, and to prevent the illegal increase of the public debt in time of peace."

Senate Democrats Begin
Attacking Treasury Policy;
Republicans Avoid Issue

Under the leadership of Senator Culberson the Senate Democrats today showed a strong disposition to insist on probing into the financial operations of the Treasury Department. It was made clear that a sharp clash was likely between the Republicans and the Democrats over the resolutions of inquiry which Senators Clark and Culberson introduced last week. These resolutions ask for information concerning the deposits in national banks, the issue of certificates of indebtedness and the issue of Panama bonds.

Senator Culberson called up two resolutions he had pending as to Treasury operations after the introduction of talks this morning, and asked to consider them immediately. Senator Allison objected to their consideration because Senator Aldrich, chairman of the Finance Committee was not present, and asked that neither resolution be considered until his return tomorrow. Senator Culberson reluctantly consented to let the resolutions go over. Senator Clark's resolution went over until tomorrow on objection from the Republican side.

It is understood to be the Republican plan when these resolutions are taken up tomorrow to ask that they be referred to the Committee on Finance. They will be buried, if possible, in that committee. The Democrats will object vigorously to their reference to the Finance Committee, and will insist on their immediate passage.

THE WEATHER REPORT.

Rain is indicated for tonight and Tuesday in this forecast district, except that the weather will clear in the South within the next thirty-six hours. The precipitation in the Lake region and upper Ohio valley will probably turn to snow Tuesday, with much colder weather.

Storm warnings are displayed on the Washington and Oregon coast. Steamers departing today for European ports will have light south to west winds and rainy weather to the Grand Banks.

TEMPERATURE.
Sun sets today..... 5:34 p. m.
Sun rises tomorrow..... 7:06 a. m.

SUN TABLE.
High water today..... 11:50 p. m.
Low water today..... 5:23 p. m.
High water tomorrow..... 12:23 p. m.
Low water tomorrow..... 6:20 a. m., 6:40 p. m.

TIDE TABLE.
High water today..... 11:50 p. m.
Low water today..... 5:23 p. m.
High water tomorrow..... 12:23 p. m.
Low water tomorrow..... 6:20 a. m., 6:40 p. m.

AUTOISTS, HEED! SEALED BONNET PLANS COMPLETE

Luncheon Hour An-
nounced, and All Cars
Must Stop for Re-
freshments.

FINAL NOTICES

Priming will be allowed tomorrow morning. Seals must not be broken for this purpose, and machines without a priming rod should be rigged with a wire that will serve the purpose.

The pilot car will stop one hour for luncheon in Ridgeville.

Tires may be placed on cars at the Luttrell Garage until 6 p. m. today.

The amount of gasoline consumed or the number of times the gasoline supply is renewed will not count for or against a machine.

Observers should be at the Luttrell Garage at 7 a. m. tomorrow, and if they are not at the Washington Automobile Club's house ready to be assigned to their cars before 8 a. m., THEY WILL CAUSE A DISQUALIFICATION OF CARS NOMINATING THEM.

Observers should note every incident, no matter how trifling. Don't violate the speed laws.

Twenty-five of the twenty-nine entrants in the Times sealed bonnet contest were on hand at the Luttrell Garage today at noon to have their machines sealed for the run of 113 miles, which begins tomorrow morning at 8 o'clock sharp from the Washington Automobile Clubhouse.

The four missing cars were accounted for, and the committee allowed them a little grace, as in every instance failure to appear was due to causes which could not be blamed upon the entrant. In two of the cases illness in the family of the driver were the reasons for lateness, and the other two cases were similar.

Those which were promptly on hand were lined up and their pictures taken for The Times, which will publish them tomorrow afternoon, making the greatest picture of the kind ever seen in a Washington newspaper.

No Case of Cold Feet.

Not a driver indicated that he would be cold feet, because of the weather. The consensus of opinion was that the mud would make the test all the harder, and the honor of winning consequently greater. As a matter of fact, most of the drivers took the view they would rather have a chance to show the true merits of their machines under the difficult conditions promised for tomorrow than to have the run a mere day's outing over good roads.

One entrant wished to withdraw a light machine he had entered and substitute a larger one late this afternoon, but Chairman Robert B. Caverly announced that the change would not be allowed. The committee took the position that the entrant should have made his choice, failing to start one if he so elected, but that it would be unfair to the other starters to have another machine substituted, when it was found the going would be heavy.

Warning to Be Careful.

Mud, especially between Olney and Laytonville, is likely to be plentiful and deep tomorrow. Wallace Hood and other careful drivers were busy warning their competitors to take no chances tomorrow, for in some places the holes are bad enough to offer serious obstacles to light cars and hard pulling for the big ones. Where machines are thus apt to go wrong at any minute accidents may be expected if the drivers crowd one another too closely, hence the warnings were extremely timely.

It looks a little damp, but brighter days are coming, so don't get discouraged and fail to appear at the Washington Automobile Club house at 8 a. m. tomorrow for The Times sealed bonnet contest.

The committee has taken action on several matters which were not brought up at the previous meetings and has adopted some minor regulations which tend to simplify matters.

Priming Allowed Tomorrow.

The first point is that priming will be allowed tomorrow morning. It was found that a number of machines might not be able to start promptly if this were prohibited, and as it has nothing to do with the merits of an auto, the ruling in favor of priming was adopted after little discussion.

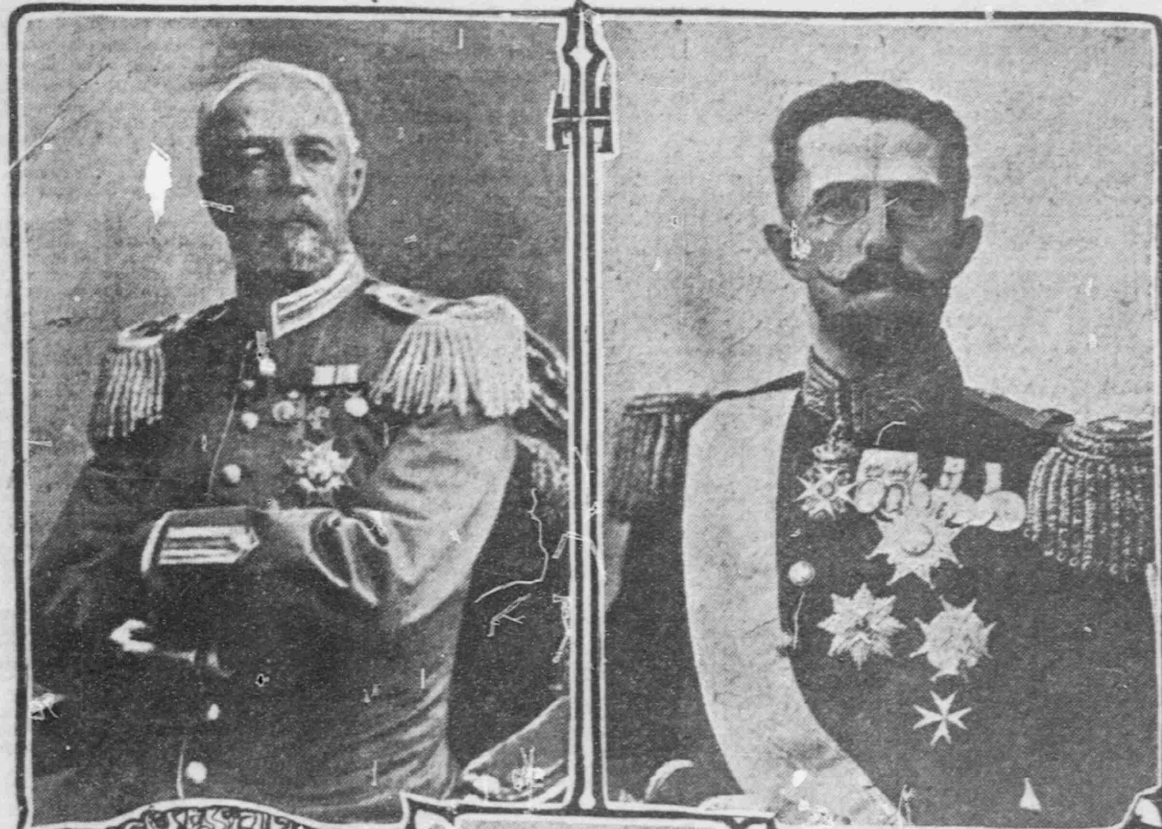
Speeding through the winter air is a great help to appetites, and as Harry Orme, who will drive the pilot car, and Harrington Mills, who will distribute the confetti from that car, are not averse to a little food now and then, they will stop one hour at Ridgeville for luncheon. Their stop is official, and

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Gustaf V Prepares Proclamation; Sweden Grieves for King Oscar; Cabinet Is to Continue in Office

KING OSCAR II OF SWEDEN,

THE NEW KING, GUSTAF ADOLF.



DOWAGER QUEEN SOPHIA,
Who Survives Her Husband, King Oscar.

QUEEN VICTORIA,
The Wife of the New King.

CORONATION DATE FOR NEW MONARCH NOT YET DECIDED

No Formal Period of
Mourning at Request
of Late Ruler.

President Cables Sympathy to Sweden.

United States Minister Graves has cabled the State Department announcing the death of King Oscar of Sweden in the imperial palace at Stockholm. President Roosevelt cabled the condolence of the American people.

The two cables follow:
"Stockholm, Dec. 8.
"Secretary of State, Washington.
"King Oscar of Sweden died this morning."
GRAVES."

"His Majesty, the King, Stockholm."

"I deeply sympathize with your majesty and the people of Sweden in the loss of an honored father and venerated sovereign."
"THEODORE ROOSEVELT."

STOCKHOLM, Sweden, Dec. 9.—Gustaf V, the new King of Sweden, is in conference with the members of his ministry today, making his plans for the immediate future and preparing a formal proclamation to be issued to his people within the next day or two.

His majesty having requested Premier Landman to continue the present cabinet, it is assumed that no change is to be anticipated from King Oscar's policies. Though there will be no formal period of mourning and the theaters, with the exception of the Royal Opera, reopen today as usual, the deepest grief prevails throughout the whole country.

No date has been set for the coronation of the new King.

The body of King Oscar of Sweden was embalmed today. Arrangements for the funeral probably will delay the ceremony for two weeks. Queen Victoria, wife of King Gustaf, arrived here today.

Gustaf Adolf was born in 1858 and held a general's rank in the Swedish army. He has acted more than once as regent of Sweden during his father's illness.

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OFFICERS KILL TWO MARAUDERS

Citizens of Hopkinsville Assisting Troops
in Search.

Will Drive Mob From
the State or Into
Cells.

Work of Detection
Difficult, as Men
Wore Masks.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Dec. 9.—Two members of the mob which terrorized Hopkinsville, applying the torch to property, were killed by officers early this morning. Soldiers are guarding the city, and a search of the entire region is being made for the marauders.

Citizens are assisting the officers, and a determined effort is in progress to drive the miscreants, who have kept the region in terror for many months, out of the State or into cells. The work of detection is made difficult by reason of the fact that the night riders always wore masks, of the same appearance, and traveled in packs, like wolves.

They never ventured alone or in small numbers to terrorize the villages.

The death of two of the night riders means that no more trifling will be allowed.

MURDERS PARTNER ON CHICKEN RAID; LOVED HIS WIFE

IOIA, Kan., Dec. 8.—In a confession made last night W. H. Creighton says he planned to murder his business partner that he might marry the latter's wife. The woman, arrested after the body of her husband, H. W. Stewart, had been found in a ditch yesterday morning, says she did not know of Creighton's love for her. She has been released.

Creighton and Stewart conducted a restaurant in East Iola. According to his statement, made to Sheriff Bollinger Saturday night, Creighton suggested to Stewart that they go chicken stealing and get enough fowl to run the tables of their restaurant during the coming week. They went away from Stewart's home late at night, and Stewart never returned.

Sunday morning his body was found in a ditch in East Iola.

Creighton told the sheriff that he planned the murder. He said he had been planning it for a month. He very much desired to marry Mrs. Stewart, said, and had to get the husband out of the way.

"Then I planned the chicken-stealing crusade," Creighton said, in his confession, "and Stewart readily agreed. We decided to get the chickens from the roost of a neighbor in E. at Iola."

"We got the chickens and started home, but stopped near a barn, where Stewart decided to dress them. When he bent over his work I hit him with the slung shot."

LINER BREAKS SHAFT; LIMPS OVER SEAS

PLYMOUTH, England, Dec. 9.—The steamship Kronprinz Wilhelm, just arrived here, reports receiving a wireless message at sea from the Red Star liner Kronland, saying the latter's shaft is broken.

The wireless telegram from the Kronland added, after one shaft having been broken, the vessel was working its way in, though necessarily slowly, under its own steam to Liverpool for repairs.

A 30-column Gain
Yesterday's Sunday Times showed a gain in advertising over the corresponding Sunday of last year of 29 columns 204 lines.

The figures are:

1907..... 161 76
1906..... 131 86

What comment would you make?

GANG WORKS CARS; DETECTIVES CATCH TWO OF FOUR MEN

One Has Long Record
as Pickpocket—Jostled
Passengers.

Two members of a gang of alleged pickpockets and professional crooks who, the police say, have criminal records in most of the large cities of the country, were arrested in Georgetown yesterday afternoon by Central Office Detectives Barbee and Vermillion. Two other members of the gang escaped, the detectives assert, just as they were preparing to commit thefts on a Cabin John Bridge car.

The arrest of the two men is regarded by the police as the most important catch made in Washington in several months, as the authorities believe them responsible for several street car robberies during the last few days. The police think they may also have some knowledge of the other recent bold thefts.

The men give the names of John Carpenter, thirty-seven years old, a machinist, and Frank Lane, twenty-nine also a machinist. Two photographs of Carpenter were found this morning in the rogues' gallery of the National Bureau of Criminal Identification. He has a string of aliases that would cover a page of single-space typewriting.

Record Back to 1892.

As far back as 1892 he was known in Chicago as a "dangerous and suspicious pickpocket." To the police of the Windy City he was known as "Chicago Tomahawk."

As is customary on Sundays, Inspector Boardman detailed two detectives to watch the crowds at the Great Falls and Old Dominion station on Thirty-sixth street. Barbee and Vermillion were given the detail yesterday. Late in the afternoon they noticed four men get off a Capital Traction car and separate immediately.

Mingling with the crowd for a few minutes, the four men boarded a Great Falls car. They appeared not to notice each other, but all four got off of the car separately before it started. This aroused the detectives' suspicion, and when the men started up the steps leading to the Cabin John Bridge cars the officers followed.

Watched Gang's Game.
The men went through the same performance of boarding the car separately and sitting apart. They remained on the car, and the detectives stayed at the terminal until the car returned. The detectives boarded the car before the crowd got out, and noticed that the same four men, although sitting in different parts of the car, started for the door at the same time. One of them blocked the passageway while the other three men started to crowd and jostle the passengers.

The detectives, believing they were preparing to pull off a job, placed two of the men under arrest. The other two got away before they could summon assistance.

Taken to Police Headquarters, the prisoners refused to talk or tell anything about themselves. Little trouble was encountered in finding Carpenter's record, and a search is being made of the gallery to learn if Lane has ever been in trouble before. Both were photographed and measured this morning.

FISHING VESSELS LOST; 120 MEN IN THE CREWS

PAIMPOL, France, Dec. 8.—The Angler, Jacques, and Croisade, Newfoundland fishing vessels, which left Miquelon October 1, have been given up. They carried 120 men in the three crews.